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Calendar

Fri April 29, 2016

- ☀ School Spirit Day! Wear Bryant apparel or our school colors; blue and yellow.
- ☀ 9:30am Gr. 2 Celebration of Learning in the Gym

Staff Appreciation Week; May 2– 6

Mon May 2

- ☀ Yearbook Sale Ends
- ☀ 3:05pm Orchestra Rehearsal
- ☀ 3:30pm Leisure Services Track Practice
- ☀ 6pm Honor Concert at GWMS
- ☀ 6pm Girl Scouts – Gr. 3

Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) Tests for Gr. 2-5; May 3-19

Tue May 3

- ☀ Orchestra Lessons

Wed May 4

- ☀ 9:30am Celebration of Gratitude for the Historic Windows Renovation Project. All are welcome to join us in the gym!

Thu May 5

- ☀ 7:30am Bryant Choir
- ☀ Band Lessons & Ensemble
- ☀ 1:15pm International Violinist Midori – Bryant Gym. All are welcome!
- ☀ 4pm Elementary Track Meet – Dalzell Field, Dub. Senior High
- ☀ 6pm Girl Scouts – Troop 7345

Fri May 6

- ☀ 10:15am Gr. 4 “Go The Distance Day” at Loras College
- ☀ 1:30pm Gr. 4 Adopt-a-Musician



CELEBRATE OUR STAFF MAY 2-6!

There are fifty caring adults at Bryant School every day to help support each child in reaching his or her potential. Please consider sharing your thanks with one or more staff members who have made a positive difference in your child's life.

The Bryant Family Organization will be hosting a variety of events during this special week to let staff members know that we are grateful for their work on behalf of students. A big thank you to Brooke Ellis for chairing staff appreciation week!

“A WINDOW TO THE FUTURE” MAY 4 CELEBRATION OF GRATITUDE

What: A Celebration of Gratitude for Bryant's Historic Windows Project

Special Guests: Mr. and Mrs. Butler whose donation made this project possible, School Board President Mike Donahue, Superintendent Stan Rheingans, and Duane Hagerty, CEO of Heritage Works

When: Wednesday, May 4, 9:30am

Where: Bryant Gym

Who: All are welcome! We hope you will join us!

MAY 2 HONOR CONCERT

Please join me in congratulating Estella Brown, Ella Jane Gunn and Owen Hull as the District Honor Choir members from Bryant. They have worked diligently all spring to perform, first at the District Choral Festival and also for the upcoming Honor Concert. The Honor Concert will include performances from the Honor Band, Honor Orchestra and Honor Choir. Please join us to hear these talented young people. The concert will be in Washington Middle School's auditorium on Monday, May 2nd, at 6 p.m. We hope to see you there. ~ **Mrs. Karmella Sellers**

MAY 5 MIDORI!

On Thursday, May 5th, Bryant Elementary School will host world renowned violinist Midori from 1:15-2:00 p.m. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity. Midori has played with major orchestras all over the world. The Dubuque Symphony Orchestra received a grant to have Midori play with them this spring. As part of the grant, Midori is visiting some area schools and working with older students. If you would like more information about this amazing performer, please visit her official website at <http://www.gotomidori.com/>.

The mission of Bryant School is to create a supportive environment that inspires all students to grow academically, socially and emotionally so that they are productive members of a diverse society.

MAY 5 CITY-WIDE TRACK MEET

Dubuque Leisure Services and Dubuque Community Schools are partnering to host a track meet at Dalzell field for students in grades 4 and 5 on Thursday, May 5. The meet starts at 4pm and will end around 8:45pm. Concessions will be offered for sale at Dalzell. Bryant is fielding a team of nearly sixty students – go, Bulldogs! A special thank you to their coaches; Mrs. Weiner, Mr. Morley, Courtney, Jayme and Adam!

MAY 6 GO THE DISTANCE DAY

Fourth graders from throughout the city will be participating in Go the Distance Day at Loras College on Friday, May 6. The goal of the day is to provide students with a fun environment to experience the joy of an active lifestyle.

MAY 17 ORCHESTRA CONCERT

Join us for a concert featuring 5th grade students from Bryant, Irving, and Lincoln, and the Washington Middle School Orchestras! Everyone is welcome to attend.

- Tuesday, May 17, 2016, in the Washington Middle School Auditorium
- Students are asked to arrive at 5:15pm and report to the Orchestra Room
- The concert begins at 6:30pm

If you have any questions please feel free to contact us:

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SUMMER FUN ~ SKATE PASSES

Thank you to Jackie Ansel for chairing skate parties this year! Now that it's spring she is selling skate passes. If you would like to purchase a pass, please contact Jackie Ansel at jax1014@aol.com or 563-599-4347.

A Skate County skate pass costs \$7 for 15 punches; \$5 will go back to Bryant! Each pass is good for 15 admissions. Passes are not valid for parties or special events. Skate rental is extra or valid on Friday nights. Passes are good from May 14 thru September 25 at the following sessions: Wednesday 1-4 and 6-8 pm, Saturday 1-4 pm and 7-10 pm and Sunday 1-4 pm. Skate Country will be closed on June 19, July 2-5, and Sept. 5.

MEASURES OF ACADEMIC PROGRESS (MAP)

| Homeroom | Reading | Math |
|----------|---------|------|
| 2M | 5/11 | 5/17 |
| 2SS | 5/10 | 5/18 |
| 2LS | 5/12 | 5/19 |
| 3D | 5/10 | 5/12 |
| 3N | 5/9 | 5/11 |
| 4M | 5/12 | 5/19 |
| 4S | 5/9 | 5/18 |
| 5J | 5/5 | 5/17 |
| 5R | 5/3 | 5/11 |

All 2nd-5th grade students will be taking MAP tests in May. You can see your child's testing dates in the table below. One way we use MAP results is as an indicator for the degree to which our teaching aligns with what students need in both reading and math. You can support your child by ensuring that he or she gets plenty of rest and a healthy breakfast – the same thing they need to succeed every day in school! A written report with students' MAP scores will be sent home with progress reports on June 6.

ELEMENTARY OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR 2016-2017

Our objective as a district is to be as accommodating as possible, however, because of class size limitations, applications must be juried on criteria such as medical or legal reasons, documented change of address, sibling or parent in the same building, etc.

- Review the In-District Open Enrollment Policy (#6218) prior to completing an application.
- Elementary applications are due to the superintendent's office by May 2, 2016.
- To be sure that your application is processed, do not submit applications to a school. Instead, mail or deliver directly to the District Office (The Forum) at 2300 Chaney Road, Dubuque, Iowa 52001